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Inside Instant celebrity

An Eastern student makes the front page of the *Chicago Tribune*.

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"Tell the truth and don't be afraid."

Thursday
January 13, 2000

Sports

Streaking

Both basketball teams travel to Murray State tonight with the men looking to end nation's longest win streak and women look to begin streak of their own.

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400 gather to remember friend



Mandy Marshall / Photo editor

Sue Blumberg, Amy Blumberg's mother, shares her sorrow with one of Ms. Blumberg's friends at a memorial service Wednesday night in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. The ceremony began with a candle light vigil to the song "Wide Open Spaces" by the Dixie Chicks.

Blumberg's mother: 'Remember Amy and the good times'

By Julie Bartlow and Nicole Meinheit
Staff editors

Over 400 friends and family members of Amy Blumberg gathered in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union to honor her memory.

Cards bearing a picture of Ms. Blumberg, who was a member of the Sigma Kappa sorority, and the poem "Immortality" were handed out at the door, along with candles to be lit during the memorial service.

Jennifer Banning, president of the Sigma Kappa sorority, opened the memorial by thanking everyone for their support through flowers, gifts,

phone calls and their attendance at the service.

She invited everyone to form a circle around the Grand Ballroom, while the song "Wide Open Spaces" by the Dixie Chicks, one of Ms. Blumberg's favorite songs, played and sorority sisters began passing around a flame for the candlelight vigil.

The memorial offered friends and family members a chance to share their memories of Ms. Blumberg, who was murdered Dec. 31 in O'Fallon.

"Amy Blumberg was probably my best friend in the world, ever," said Amy Higham, Ms. Blumberg's roommate and sorority sister.

The last time Higham saw Ms. Blumberg was

on Higham's 21st birthday, which fell during semester break.

Despite Ms. Blumberg's parents' concerns of the long drive, she was able to convince them to let her celebrate Higham's birthday. The two went shopping, had dinner and shared a special moment Higham will always remember.

"She (Ms. Blumberg) wasn't the hugger. She wasn't the most emotional person in the world, but that night, before she drove back to Collinsville, she hugged me and told me she loved me and to be careful," Higham said. "She talked to me just like a mother would."

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Detectives returning to campus

By Amy Thon
News editor

Two detectives from the O'Fallon Police Department will be on Eastern's campus today to speak to more students in the investigation of Amy Blumberg's murder.

"(We will be on campus) to see if there is any acquaintances or friends that we can find that we haven't talked to yet," said Capt. Jim Stover, of the O'Fallon Police Department.

Ms. Blumberg, 20, of Collinsville, was a junior majoring in family and consumer sciences with an option in business and a concentration in merchandising. She was found shot to death Dec. 31 at her uncle's retail business in O'Fallon, where she was working while home for the semester break.

The body was found by a family member at about 9 p.m., after friends became worried that she had not joined them.

He said more than 270 interviews have been conducted. Detectives were on campus Jan. 3 to search Ms. Blumberg's room in the Sigma Kappa sorority house.

"We have no information to identify a suspect," Stover said.

A profile of the crime including information about the crime scene has been organized and sent to the behavioral science unit of the FBI.

"(In) a case like this, we submit (a profile) to see they can provide us with any information we might have missed," Stover said.

He said the expertise in different sciences of the FBI will help investigators analyze the crime. About 18 detectives are working on the case.

Ethernet to provide Internet service without wait

By Julie Bartlow
Campus editor

Some students will now have the advantage of running the Internet from their residence halls without having to wait to connect.

Residents of Ford, McKinney and Carman halls, as well as students living in the Delta Theta sorority, Zeta Phi Beta sorority, Phi Beta Sigma fraternity, Sigma Gamma Rho sorority, Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority, and Sigma Kappa sorority houses in the Greek Court will be able to access the Internet with the new Century 2000 Network Program.

To obtain access, students will need to purchase and install a 3-Com Ethernet Adapter Card and a

cable to connect their computers to the data jacks installed in their rooms.

The access is 300 times faster than Internet connections students have now, said Dave Henard, associate vice president for Information Technology Services, in a press release.

The cables needed to connect to the network can be purchased at Carman and McKinney halls' front desks. The adapter cards are available at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Bookstore and several off-campus locations.

The price of the cable is \$15 and the adapter cards range between \$60-\$80, said Bill Schnackel, director of Housing and Dining Services.

Schnackel stated not all resi-

dence halls have the benefit of the cable connections in their rooms, but eventually they will.

"This is such a major project," he said. "We will continue to work in the other buildings and halls for now, but (around) January of 2001 all halls will be able to connect using (the Ethernet Card)."

The idea to have the faster Internet connections on campus was conceived about two years ago, Schnackel said.

"Eastern is very fortunate to have this faster connection," he said. "Students will truly benefit from this."

Seminars will be offered to students who have any questions about

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Mandy Marshall / Photo editor

Harry Musgrove, Institutional Network Communications employee, checks the Internet cable Wednesday afternoon in McKinney Hall.

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Sarah Bush gets state grant to aid
in mammograms, cervical screens

By Julius Sexton
City editor

Women in Coles County and the surrounding areas may qualify for free mammograms and cervical screens through Sarah Bush Lincoln Health System.

Sarah Bush was among 20 Illinois hospitals and health departments to receive portions of a \$3.08 million state grant to go towards mammograms and cervical screens to women in a low income status who cannot afford them.

Sarah Bush is also a participant under the East Central Illinois Breast and Cervical Cancer Program, which received a \$126,000 grant to aid for women

who are either underinsured, uninsured or whose insurance does not cover potentially life-saving screens.

Cheryl Creasy, manager of the Case Management Department at Sarah Bush, heads the effort and coordinates the screens with the surrounding area health departments.

“Through this program we hope to serve approximately 450 women who otherwise might not have access to the screens,” she said.

She said an average of 8,000 women a year are diagnosed, while 2,200 die of breast cancer.

An average of 700 women in Illinois are diagnosed with cervical cancer and 200 die from it. The pro-

Contestants flock to new game show
CBS program breaks away from traditional trivia mold

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Who wants to be marooned on a desert island?

OK, so it’s not as attractive a question as they one the ask on that other TV game show, but CBS still had plenty of people show up Tuesday to audition for “Survivor!”

Sixteen lucky contestants will spend up to six weeks on a deserted island without shelter, food, hot water or privacy. Cast members must survive the elements and each other in hopes of being the last person left. The winner gets \$1 million.

Every three days, a “tribal council” will vote to kick one contestant off the island. When only two are left, the last seven eliminated con-

testants will vote to determine who loses. CBS cameras will tape the scramble for survival.

More than 6,000 people nationwide are competing for a spot on the show. Producers will announce the 16 contestants late this month and ship them to the 10-square-mile island off Borneo in March. The show is to air in August.

Fifty people were being interviewed this week in regional tryouts at KYW-TV in Philadelphia. The would-be contestants had to sign forms asking about Japanese encephalitis, dengue and malaria, and promise not to sue in the event of injury or death.

The applicants Tuesday included

gram expects to serve 11,000 women every year in Illinois.

The program targets women who cannot afford the procedures. Women must also be between 40 and 64 to qualify for the free mammograms and between 35 to 64 for the free cervical screen.

Women who qualify will not only get the free procedures but also be assured of treatment if cancer is diagnosed, a local press release stated.

Lisa Carlen of Sarah Bush said that although most Eastern women are not directly eligible, it can still benefit them as well.

“Everyone knows at least one woman who might be eligible for the program,” she said.

blue-collar workers, students, doctors and lawyers, and ranged in age from 21 to 62. Some suggested a little time on a desert island might not be a bad idea.

“I need a vacation,” said prison guard John Hrycyna, 44, who described strip-searching murderers. “This would be a break from the jungle where I work.”

James Goyet, 25, a military survival instructor, entertained the other contestants with descriptions of eating maggots: “They taste just like Uncle Ben’s rice.”

Producers said they were looking for people with physical endurance, intelligence, humor and people skills.

Census
looking
for local
support

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Census Bureau is trying to drum up support among local government officials in hopes of improving public participation in the national head count.

It costs the agency millions of dollars to track down and interview people who fail to mail back their census forms, so it wants state and local politicians to help remind people to fill out the questionnaires.

April 1 is the official census day and forms will be sent in the mail shortly before that date.

In a program called “How America Knows What America Needs,” the bureau is sending promotion kits to governors, tribal leaders, county commissioners, mayors and other top elected officials.

“Because the census is so important to every resident, we must do everything we can to ensure that everyone is included in the count,” Commerce Secretary William M. Daley said in a statement this week.

Because Census numbers are used to allocate billions of dollars in federal and state funds the results of the count are vital to local governments.

Remember

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Another sorority sister remembered Ms. Blumberg as a practical joker.

“The girl was always playing practical jokes on everyone,” said Lindsey Roe, Ms. Blumberg’s sorority sister.

Roe shared a memory of when she and Ms. Blumberg were joking around at the Sigma Kappa sorority house. Ms. Blumberg climbed on top of an ice chest and Roe pushed Ms. Blumberg around the sorority’s chapter room.

The ice chest ended up toppling over, and the

floor was wet for a week, Roe said.

Ms. Blumberg’s friends’ memories mean a lot to Ms. Blumberg’s parents.

“Thank you all so much. You meant a lot to Amy, therefore you mean a lot to us,” Sue Blumberg, Ms. Blumberg’s mother said. “Remember Amy and the good times. God will get us through this.”

Sue Blumberg asked her daughter’s friends to share their memories with the family.

She also said the family would return to Eastern to talk with her daughter’s friends and reminisce about their times with Ms. Blumberg.

“Amy loved Eastern, Sigma Kappa, her sorority sisters and all of you frat guys,” Sue Blumberg said.

Ethernet

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installing the Ethernet Cards.

“These (seminars) are to assist students on how to put the network together, and they will show them

how to install the software onto their computers,” Schnackel said.

A Gateway Computer technician will be at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union in the lounge by the book store from 10:30 a.m to noon today.

Other seminars will be held in the

computer lab in the basement of Carman Hall, as well as in the McKinney Hall lounge from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. through Friday.

Additional seminars will be scheduled if it is warranted by demand, a press release stated.

More information about the

Century 2000 Network Program and links to Dell and Gateway’s home pages can be found at www.eiu.edu/~housing. Information pertaining to Ethernet card and computer specifications required by the Century 2000 Network can be found at www.eiu.edu/~itus/faq/computer.

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Look familiar?

They should – these lovebirds are two of Eastern's own

By Matt Neistein and
Elizabeth O'Riley
Features editors

On Jan. 1, the Chicago Tribune's front page gave its millions of readers the look of the new millennium, courtesy of Eastern Illinois University.

The full-page photo splashed across the special millennial edition of the newspaper caught Eastern junior Matt Fish planting a kiss on the cheek of his girlfriend, Eastern graduate Sally Shireman, as she cradled a cellular phone on her shoulder with a big smile for the camera.

Amazingly, Fish and Shireman had no idea that photographer's flash would make them minor celebrities.

"We had no idea ... [the photographer] asked us for our names," said Fish, a 21-year-old physical education major. "He didn't say what paper he was from."

Fish, along with Shireman, who graduated last summer from Eastern and now works at WCIA-TV in Champaign, partied at the Hyatt Regency gala in Chicago on New Year's Eve with a group of friends from Eastern.

After they arrived, the couple, who have been dating for 10 months, made their way to the flock of television news vans that were filming the event. Shireman told the CBS crew she worked at a Champaign affiliate of the station and asked if it was possible to get on TV. Fish said they were told to come back at 11:30 p.m.

They returned later to the filming area, and cameras began to pan across the crowd. After the clock struck midnight, Fish gave Shireman the smooch while she called home on the cell phone and fireworks rocketed skyward in the background.

Fish said five or six photographers started snapping away.

"This one guy comes out right in front of us and he starts taking pictures," Fish said. "We didn't know if he wanted us in or not but he was like, 'No, no, keep kissing, keep kissing.'"

"After he was done, he asked us for our names and that was it."

The next morning, Shireman received a call from a friend who asked if she'd seen the morning's Tribune. Shireman said she hadn't. When her friend told her she and Fish were on the front page, she didn't believe it, Fish said. It wasn't until her friend described what

she was wearing that she called Fish in Lansing.

"So I ran down to the 7-11, which is right on the corner, opened up [the paper] and there it was," he said. "I couldn't believe it. I was just like, 'Wow.'"

Other people in the convenience store wondered why Fish was so jubilant.

"I told them, 'That's me and my girlfriend on the front page,'" he said. "They were like, 'Yeah, right,' and I said, 'No, I'm serious.'"

He admitted that it's taken a while to sink in, even after the follow-up article the Tribune ran the next day focusing on the couple.

"To see that on the front page of the Chicago Tribune on Jan. 1 is just amazing," he said, adding he's even fulfilled an autograph request.

Fish said T-shirts featuring the photo currently are on sale at Target retail stores.

The two families have "tons of copies" of the newspaper, Fish said, and they even have laminated a few copies, although they are currently trying to get a copy of the original photo from the Tribune.

Fish was not the only Eastern student who did something memorable for the new millennium celebration.

Nathaniel Overman, a junior finance major, and Jared Bayler, a freshman geology major, both traveled hundreds of miles to ring in the new year.

While some were sitting safely in their homes prepared for the Y2K bug, Overman and six of his friends drove the 20-some hours down to southern Florida to join about 80,000 other people in a two-day new years celebration with the band Phish.

The band performed at the Big Cypress Seminole Indian Reservation. Overman said, "It was in the middle of nowhere, but it was made into a makeshift city, and many of the people there wanted to call it home."

He said during the two days the event was taking place Phish played over 60 songs, and to end the weekend, the band played a New Years Eve set for more than seven straight hours.

"It was the greatest time of my life and I'd definitely do it all over again next year," Overman said.

Bayler said this probably would be the only chance he had to travel to New York for New Year's Eve and this being the ringing in of the year 2000, he said he might as well go now.

He said Times Square was really busy and



Photo courtesy of José More / Chicago Tribune

Eastern junior Matt Fish and Eastern graduate Sally Shireman share a now famous smooch. The popularity of the photo, which ran in publications throughout the country, has led to an autograph request of Fish.

full of people. The celebration did not begin at midnight, Bayler said.

Every hour, all day long, a parade went by celebrating the new year in different time zones.

When midnight eventually came around, he said, he and his friends could not exactly see the ball dropping, but they all knew what was going on.

He said it was just a big happy occasion, and a person could turn to anyone in the crowd for a new years hug or an exchanging of a "Happy New Year."

Some may have expected New York to be the first place for riots to break out in the new year, with all of the Y2K talk, but Bayler said, "Nothing bad happened, you just got to see the good side of everyone."

University Theater

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7:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 13
Friday, January 14

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Plays being auditioned are

Moon Over Buffalo
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The Legend of Sleepy Hollow

To audition: prepare 2 one-minute monologues (one serious, one comic) and sign-up for a time slot on the callboard in the lobby or call 581-3121 for more information.

If you are new to auditioning, you may bring two contrasting-pieces to read, but please know the material well enough to get it off the page.

Campus Life

Night

This Thursday
January 13, 2000
7-10 pm

MLK, Jr.
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Deliver on time

With the Booth Library in the beginning stages of its renovation, and the Campus Master Plan just getting under way, construction is becoming a common sight on campus.

The construction is a nuisance for current students, but one they are willing to put up with if it means improving the university. However, they need to know how realistic the project deadlines are.

All projects currently are on schedule and progressing well. The Booth Library crews are nearly done with the asbestos removal and architects are putting the finishing touches on designs. Contractors will then bid on the project and begin work.

Campus construction

Work for Booth Library renovations and the Campus Master Plan has begun. But will these projects be finished as scheduled?

The Campus Master Plan is a 15-year project that includes many phases. However, one project, the Commemorative Plaza, is already complete, and several others are in the planning stages.

In the past, renovations slated to be complete at a certain time were not finished until months later. One of the more recent examples is the 24-hour computer lab in Gregg Triad. After an official from Information Technology Services said the lab would be open mid-September, students were not able to utilize it until November. Throughout the semester, officials reported that the delays stemmed from a wait on furniture and a contractor not meeting deadlines.

The university needs to insist that the vendors hired to do renovations on Eastern's campus follow through with their promises and make deadlines. The long-awaited opening of the Gregg Triad pleased many students. Students appreciate it when projects on campus are completed, but they are even more appreciative when projects are finished on time.

When it comes to a project like the Booth Library renovations, making deadline is crucial. A campus library is a sanctuary where students can study without interruptions and do research for their classes. Therefore, of all the renovation projects done at Eastern through the years, Booth Library is the most important, and needs to stay on schedule.

The editorial is the opinion of the editorial board of *The Daily Eastern News*.

Today's quote

I wasted time, and now doth time waste me; For now hath time made me his numbering clock; My thoughts are minutes.

William Shakespeare,
English dramatist and poet, 1564-1616

Take a bite out of the campus life

The key to success is to get involved with whatever you want to succeed at.

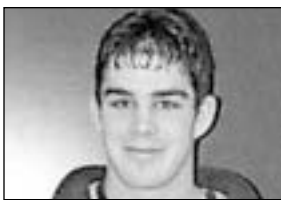
In other words, your ultimate goal is to graduate Eastern. So why not get involved in something that interests you? For example, the University Board alone offers positions in nearly every aspect of entertainment.

So you say there is nothing to do at this school? My question to you is what are you involved in, and how hard have you tried to seek out the opportunities of involvement that Eastern has to offer? Basically, what it boils down to is get involved with something you enjoy or forever hold your peace.

A survey done at Keene State University in New Hampshire revealed that 85 percent of the students who left the university before completing a degree program were involved in either one or no activities. To me, this simply means that the majority of students who drop out of college are not involved in anything. When you're involved with something it provides another incentive to attend school.

Being involved also provides experiences and opportunities that can complement your classroom experience. For example, being involved can provide a team to work with, friends to socialize with and leadership opportunities you never knew existed. One thing is certain, when you get into the job market employers will look at what you were involved with, so that they can get a better idea of your character.

Now is the time to learn how to work within a team. Being flexible, understanding the needs of others and learning how to reach goals for mutual benefits are vital assets that you can obtain by taking part of team activities. This by far is the best way to get hands on training and a good preview of what you'll encounter in the future. In addition, this is the part of education you can get for just spending



Greg DeKalb
UB vice chair

"Never in life does a person learn how to be a leader through textbooks alone."

your time rather than your money.

One of the other important aspects of being involved in organizations is meeting people. Having friends to socialize with is extremely crucial to your success in college because of the simple fact that you know someone is there for you. Knowing that you have someone to spend time with; or even just to talk to, will create a

much more positive learning environment and increase your odds of reaching your ultimate goal — to graduate.

Never in life does a person learn how to be a leader through textbooks alone. Becoming a leader takes time; the consensus of others and a lot of trial and error that cannot be experienced in the normal classroom setting. So if you think you have the drive and ambition to lead, this is your chance to to really challenge yourself.

In the real world you will be faced with many challenges. Now is the time to get prepared and being involved will help.

If the reason you haven't gotten involved is because you don't know how, then consider this your personal invitation. The University Board is responsible for providing the majority of entertainment for Eastern students and will be hosting an informational meeting this Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Arcola/Tuscola room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. For more information, stop by the University Board's table at Campus Life Night tonight from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the University Union. Many organizations will be represented and plenty of entertainment will be there.

Thank you for your time and hope to see you soon.

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Rejection of treaties a reasonable decision

After reading Gary Sudborough's letter in the Jan. 10 edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, I would like to bring up a few points for Mr. Sudborough to think about.

I do not dispute the accusation that certain double standards and hypocrisies exist. However, neither the rejection of the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty nor the rejection of the International Treaty on Children's Rights are valid examples of this claim.

Although a good argument can be made for both the pros and the cons of the decision to introduce nuclear weapons at the end of the second World War, the sad fact remains that the knowledge and technology is available to rogue nations such as Iraq,

Your turn

Letters to the editor

North Korea, Red China, etc.

Our ratification of this treaty would do nothing more than tie our hands while communist states and terrorist states disregard this and any other treaties that stand in the way of their pursuit of weapons of mass destruction.

Now, what about our rejection of the Treaty on Children's rights? After hearing so much about the sweatshops and forced labor around the world, such a treaty sounds reasonable. However, supporters of this treaty should give serious thought to the extreme policies that could come into being as a result of this treaty. What about children who are required

to do chores? Would it be a violation of a child's rights if his father required him to wax the car or mow the lawn?

Although we should protect children from violations of the rights to which they are entitled, we should be aware of the ludicrous results that could come about from a treaty that gives children more rights than they are due.

Steve Kline
economics major

Letter policy

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Depending on space constraints, we may have to edit your letter, so keep it as concise as possible.

AB to discuss fund allocation

By **Shauna Gustafson**
Staff editor

The Appointment Board will discuss the allocation of funding for an off-campus handbook at its first meeting of the semester.

The meeting will be conducted at 6 p.m. in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

“The off-campus housing handbook will serve as a resource for both students who are looking to move

off-campus and those who already live off-campus,” said Adam Weyhaupt, student senate member.

Weyhaupt said the handbook will entail the costs of living off-campus and the details associated with a lease.

The off-campus handbook, which was organized by the Housing Committee of Student Senate, and its need for funding will be explained by Weyhaupt.

Mike Johnson, student vice president for financial affairs, said the AB likely will agree to funding for the project.

Student senate sets semester goals

Ideas include improving accessibility, using student input

By **Kelly Rush**
Student government editor

Incorporating student’s ideas into senate legislation and making senate members more accessible to students were goals Student Senate members set at an orientation meeting Wednesday.

Senate speaker Jeremy Ruppel, senate executives and members of the legislative leadership all explained their positions on the senate, gave a preview of what they hoped to accomplish and explained how they planned to involve more students throughout the year.

“We’re all here for the students,” Ruppel said. “We need to work on legislation that will help the students, not the Student Senate.”

Katie Cox, senate member, discussed the possibility of bringing a 24-hour diner to Charleston, making Eastern’s night life more interesting for students in the 18 to 20 age group. She also discussed working

on public relations, voter turnout and extending the bar hours.

Leila Morad, senate member, talked about keeping students updated on construction projects around campus and increasing recycling.

Senate members Jim Miller and Erin Wilcox said they want to see the plus-one option on the Panther Card increased, long distance phone rates lowered and having a landlord registration program.

“Housing is the biggest way to show students we care about them,” Miller said. “This is the best way to show students we are working for (them).”

Tiffany Vandever, senate member, proposed all spending be itemized in order to better see where money is being spent and to provide explanations for all fee increases.

Adam Weyhaupt, senate member, discussed using technology to better communicate with students

and to serve as a resource for looking up information. He also wanted to promote meeting attendance, increase voter turnout for elections and educate students on how the senate works so they will feel more comfortable addressing the senate with their concerns.

Cortney McDermott, student vice president for academic affairs, also said free national newspapers would be distributed in all residence halls for spring semester 2000. McDermott did not mention which newspapers would be involved in the program.

Lou Hencken, vice president for student affairs, concluded the meeting with advice to the senate about reducing the time of meetings and treating others as they would like to be treated.

“Different people see things differently,” Hencken said. “Treat everyone with courtesy and respect and listen to what the students have to say.”

daily briefing

Father’s right to custody of Cuban boy upheld

WASHINGTON (AP) – Attorney General Janet Reno today upheld a decision giving custody of Elian Gonzalez to his Cuban father and said any challenge to that ruling must come in federal rather than state court.

To allow the 6-year-old boy’s Florida relatives time to challenge the federal decision, Reno wrote to their lawyers that the government is postponing its Friday deadline for turning him over for return to Cuba. She did not give a new deadline or say what steps the federal government might take next to enforce its decision.

Reno brushed aside a state court ruling Monday that the boy must remain in the United States until a March 6 hearing. She said the state court order “has no force or effect” on the Immigration and Naturalization Service’s decision in the case.

“The question of who may speak for a 6-year-old child in applying for admission or asylum is a matter of federal immigration law,” Reno wrote. The question of who speaks for the boy “remains one of federal, not state, law.”

Meanwhile, a Miami television news crew filmed Elian

Tuesday as he made a comment about his sentiments while playing outside with a friend. But an airplane was passing overhead, and the English translation of Elian’s remark is in dispute.

Study links exotic shrubs to songbird decline

CHICAGO (AP) – Christopher Whelan peers through the arching branches of the wild honeysuckle and points to a confluence of limbs about three feet above the ground.

To an unsuspecting bird, the strong, v-shaped crotch is the perfect spot to build a nest. To Whelan, an avian ecologist at the Illinois Natural History Survey, the harmless-looking bush is an ecological trap.

In a study that adds a new twist to concerns about how non-native, or exotic, species affect ecosystems, Whelan and Kenneth Schmidt, a researcher at the University of Memphis, suggest the proliferation of exotic shrubs may be contributing to declining populations of some songbirds.

Analyzing six years of data collected from 585 American robin and wood thrush nests in the 1,600-acre Morton Arboretum near Chicago, Whelan and Schmidt discovered birds that nested in exotic honeysuckle and buckthorn were almost never able to fledge young before the nests were destroyed or raided by other animals.

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Spring 2000

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
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5:00-5:30pm Muscle Mania I	5:00-5:30pm Muscle Mania II	5:00-6:00pm Marine Corps Boot Camp	5:00-6:00pm Muscle Mania I
5:30-6:00pm Abs	5:30-6:00pm Abs		5:30-6:00pm Abs
6:00-7:00pm In-Line Step	6:00-7:00pm Creative Cardio	6:00-7:00pm Simply Step	6:00-7:00pm Cardio-Box
6:30-7:30pm Aqua	6:30-7:00pm Aqua	6:30-7:30pm Aqua	6:30-7:30pm Aqua
7:00-9:00pm Totally Toning	7:00-8:00pm Marine Corps Boot Camp	7:00-8:00pm Cardio-Salsa	7:00-7:30pm Muscle Mania II
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Lord Scholarship up for grabs

Applications for university's 'most prestigious award' due Jan. 24

By Michelle Jones
Activities editor

With the high cost of attending school, scholarships are high in demand. The EIU Alumni Association wants students to take action in the nomination process for the 2000 Livingston C. Lord Scholarship.

The scholarship is the most prestigious award for academic excellence offered at the university.

It is the only scholarship presented annually at Spring Commencement, a press release stated.

Normally, faculty members who wish to nominate a student must submit a nomination through the department chair.

From there, a dean of a college or a department chair nominate students for the scholarship.

This year, the Alumni Association is encouraging qualified students to talk to their teachers and ask to be nominated for the award.

Officials in Alumni Services want to encourage students to take a look at the qualifications for the Lord Scholarship, see if they qualify, and ask their professors and department chairs to consider nominating them for this award if they qualify, said Sarah Drury, assistant director of Alumni Services in a press release.

There are three main qualifications students must meet to be considered for the Livingston C. Lord Scholarship.

A nominee must be of junior status with at least 30 hours of credit at Eastern and have at least 24 hours of credit left in their degree programs by fall semester 2000.

A 3.6 grade point average is required for any nominee. Finally, a nominee must plan on pursuing a career in elementary or secondary teaching.

Students who ask to be nominated could win a fairly profitable reward. Last year, \$5,250 was awarded to each of the five recipients, according to a press release.

"The award is too important to leave any qualified student out of the running," Drury said in a press release.

The EIU Alumni Association established the scholarship in 1934 in order to commemorate Eastern's first president.

Nomination forms are available from department chairs or from the Alumni Services Office. Nomination forms must be received by 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24.

RHA meetings kick up today

By Liew Lin Hai
Staff writer

The Residence Hall Association will host its first meeting of the year at 5 p.m. today in Lawson Hall.

The RHA is a student organization which organizes activities for residents on campus and attend to their concerns.

"We don't have a lot of activities planned right now," said Cathie Anderson, chair of RHA.

She said because school has just started and the various committees may not have had time to plan, not many activities are going on yet.

"We do have a table at Campus Life Night, and we are hoping a lot of residents will come visit us," Anderson said.

Campus Life Night will be hosted at 7:30 p.m. today in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union and will feature various students organizations promoting their activities.

1999 Service Award Winner: 'I love college life'

By Michelle Jones
Activities editor

Eulalee Anderson's time, effort and generosity toward service has earned her recognition.

The 1999 Livingston C. Lord Distinguished Service Award was presented to Anderson of Mattoon.

Anderson recognizes that several individuals donate their time, and said she is very honored the university chose her as the recipient of the award.

"I'm very honored and very humbled," Anderson said. "So many people do so many things for Eastern."

Jill Nilsen, acting vice president for External Relations, said Anderson is well qualified for the award.



Eulalee Anderson

"Mrs. Anderson exemplifies the spirit of distinguished service which

would have pleased Mr. Lord," Nielson said in a press release.

"Her time, efforts, and good will, which she generously gives to Eastern, are most worthy of this university honor."

Anderson said Eastern has a lot to offer, and few people take advantage of those opportunities. She, however, has been involved with the university since she first came to the area.

"I love college life," she said. "I just love the people, the faculty, the lectures, the concerts."

Anderson's roles at the university cover a wide range of service events.

She began as a graduate assistant and ran Eastern's first official Language Laboratory.

Her main areas of interest have been international students and International Student Services, a press release stated.

Anderson helped organize the Association of International Students and has supported various international student services.

She has organized and held international teas, arranged transportation and provided lodging for international students.

She has arranged for international speakers to talk to schools and clubs, given tours of local historical sites and made dinners for foreign faculty members.

Although Anderson retired from her position as one of the international student advisors twenty years ago, she still is very involved and

dedicated to the school.

She supports the Tarble Arts Center, the Symphony Orchestra and regularly attends campus cultural events, a press release stated.

Anderson enjoys being updated on what is going on at the school.

"Eastern means everything to me. My daughter says I spend all my time on the highway going to Eastern," Anderson said.

Along with the Livingston C. Lord Distinguished Service Award, Anderson has won other awards that recognize her contributions.

According to a press release, the Woman's Advocacy Council named her as one of its Women of the Year in 1985, and the Alumni Association awarded her a Distinguished Alumni Service Award in 1992.

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Front Desk Help needed. Monday - Friday afternoons 12:00 - 4:30 pm. Apply in person at 1802 Buzzard, Student Publications. Minimum Wage.

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Community Unie School District No. 1 is looking for summer school teachers in the following areas: High School English, Keyboarding, and Biology. These classes will be held at the Charleston High School from 7:45 - 11:45 a.m. Employment dates will be June 5 - July 7, 2000. (\$22 per hr.) Apply by sending a resume and copy of teaching certificate (front/back) by January 28, 2000 to the Charleston District Office, 410 West Polk, Charleston, IL 61920 Ph # (217)345-2106

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CAMP SUMMIT in New York has summer job openings for qualified EIU students, Cabin counselors, specialty instructors for TEAM SPORTS, SWIMMING, (WSI/LGT), TENNIS GO-KARTS, GYMNASTICS, CERAMICS, CREATIVE ARTS, DRAMATIC ARTS, MUSIC (PIANO), WATER-SKIING, OUTDOOR ADVENTURE PROGRAMS, and more! Great salary and benefits! Interviews during CAMP DAY, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd at Martin Luther King, Jr University Union Ballroom. Call 800-847-8664 or 201-560-9870 for interview time and application.

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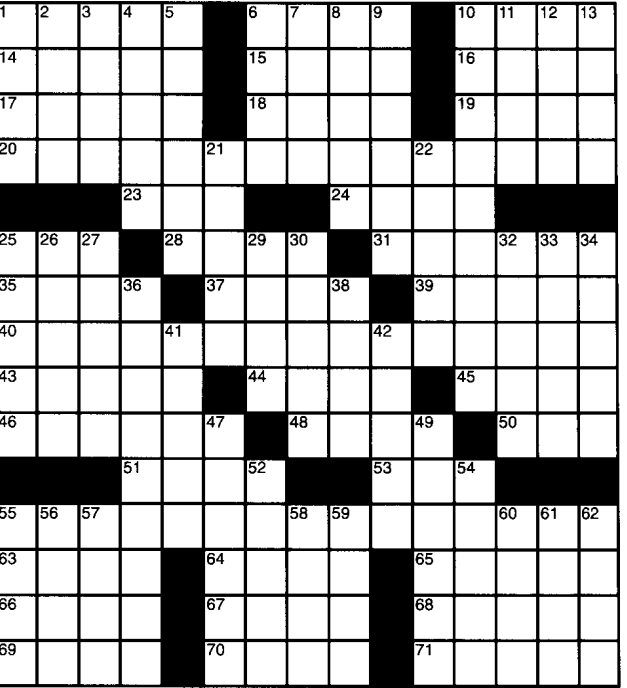
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PHI ALPHA ETA. Monthly meeting on Wednesday, January 19th at 5:30 in the Arcola/Tuscola Rm. MANDATORY FOR ALL MEMBERS TO ATTEND. Speaker from career services & \$10 dues due.

CAMPUS PERK. Open mic night on 1-13 at 8 pm - 12 am in the Thomas Hall Basement.

ACADEMIC ADVISING CENTER. Connective- new Transfer Student Program on Jan. 18,25 at 5:30- 6:45 pm. in the Effingham Rm. - University Union. Transfer students learn how to find an internship and look at career options. Come meet other students.

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Puzzle by Mel Taub

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64 Pinnacle
65 Integra, for one
66 "Yeah, that'll ever happen"

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



Longest

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lineup for the two injured players will be Michael Forrest filling in for Polite and either Luke Sharp or Todd Bergmann taking Joseph’s spot.

It has not been all bad news this week for the Panthers though, guard Kyle Hill was named Ohio Valley Conference player of the week.

For the week, Hill averaged 17 points, four rebounds, four assists, and five steals per game.

Eastern’s offense has continued their good offensive output from the non-conference season into their conference season.

With four starters averaging double figures, the Panthers are a lock to always put points on the board.

With Hill averaging 18.8 points per game overall and point guard Matt Britton averaging 10.4 points per game, Eastern’s guard play

has been the perfect compliment to Eastern’s new-found inside game.

Center John Smith, who is averaging 5.7 points a game and 8.3 rebounds, helps to showcase the inside game. Smith’s surprising season has made teams pay attention to Eastern’ play on the block.

With a win against Murray State, and a Southeast Missouri loss to Tennessee-Martin, the Panthers can move into a first place tie in the OVC.

Streak

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our weakness all year, but it’s something we have been working and improving on.”

The resurgence in the play of senior Leah Aldrich-Franklin could be one of the defining factors in the Panthers play. Aldrich-Franklin, because of time off during the

break, is finally near 100 percent after an early season knee injury.

She will be needed at full strength to battle against Racer star Monika Gadson in the middle.

Gadson currently leads the OVC with a rebounding average of nearly nine boards per game. She averages a rebound more per game than her nearest competitor. Gadson is also within the top 20 scorers in the OVC at 12 points per game.

Bleachers

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interned there for four years doing marketing and promotions for the athletic department,” she said. “I was also on scholarship with the women’s basketball team my first year, and from there I was involved with the athletic department throughout my college experience.”

So how did Ostermann make her way from Laramie, Wyo. to Charleston?

“I knew what I wanted to do and that was be involved with an NCAA Division I Athletic Department with both football and basketball,” she said. “I didn’t have anything restricting me to any part of the country, so I applied everywhere and anywhere sending out all kinds of resumes and Eastern turned out to be the best option I was presented with.”

Ostermann and the athletic department have taken several strides this year to increase attendance and have seen some moderate results.

New in-game promotions and additional advertising were used during the football season and saw some results, although it became more difficult as the season wore on with the Panthers on their way to a 2-10 finish.

And a number of other promotions have been added for this basketball season. Scholarship shots, a half court shot for free housing, free pizzas, discounts at the University Bookstore, T-shirt giveaways and several free semesters worth of tuition and room and board are all tactics that will be used throughout the basketball season to increase student interest.

It takes a lot of time and effort to turn around the kind of poor fan support that has been seen at Eastern the past few years. And while Ostermann knows she has taken on a difficult task that can’t

be changed over night, it can be frustrating to put in a lot of time and effort and seeing minimal results in return.

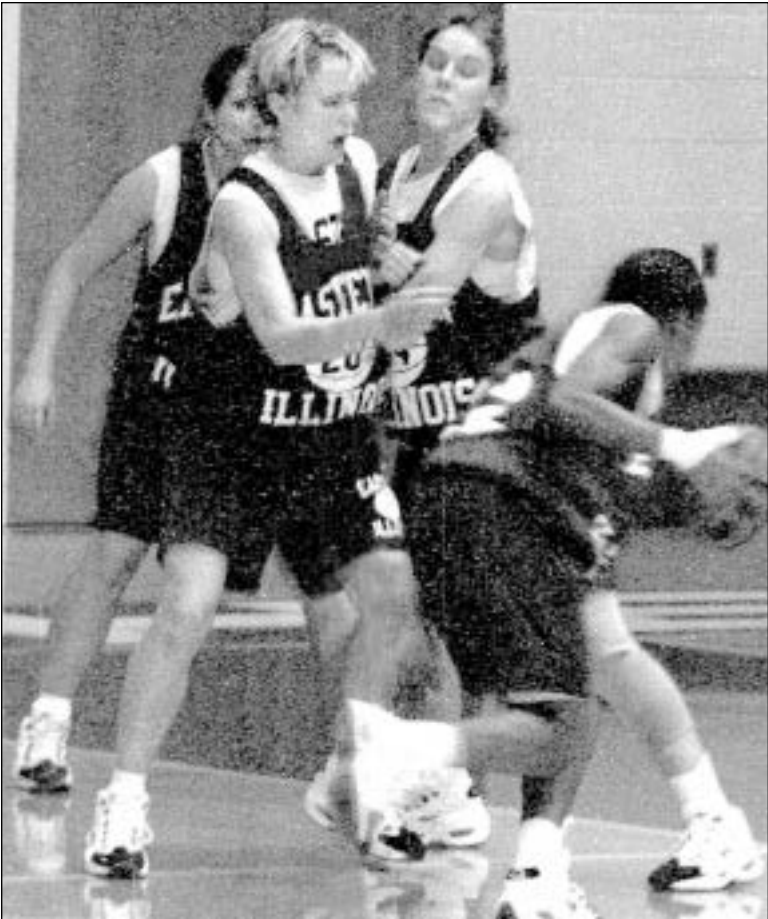
“It’s frustrating to me because I see all the things we’re doing, and we have had some good response and seeing some rewards for what we’re doing,” she said. “But at the same time, I see Lantz Gymnasium in my head and I see it filled with fans.

“I think Lantz would be a really hard place to play in if it’s full,” Ostermann said.

“And until I see it that way, it will still be frustrating.”

While Ostermann won’t be satisfied until the Panthers are packing in the fans, she has thoroughly enjoyed facing the difficult challenge of hiking attendance figures.’

“I really like being here,” she said. “It would really be terrible if I really didn’t love what I’m doing because we haven’t seen a whole lot of success. But I really like the people I work with and enjoy being here.”



Kyle Bauer/Staff photographer

Junior guard Portery Scott looks to drive the paint as freshman guard Staci Kingery sets a screen on senior guard Angie Patzner.

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Sixty-four year old woman: HHH just wasn't fair

The new year has brought about some interesting things going on in the wrestling industry.

Probably first and foremost happening is the reformation of the New World Order. There were the familiar faces of Kevin Nash and Scott Hall, but they also added Bret Hart and Jeff Jarrett to their roster. These four have the four major belts in the WCW, and it seems that is the criteria for a new member.

The new millennium brought about some old faces on this week's Nitro show. Appearing in the show were some blasts from the past.

Jarrett went 0-3 on the night, losing to George "the animal" Steele, Tito Santana and Jimmy Superfly Snuka. Snuka, for the record, looked no more than dead when he

appeared on the show. He still managed to do a flying body splash off of the top of the cage, and probably broke a hip.

Speaking of old dudes, what's up with Terry Funk and Anderson running WCW?

Funk needs to get back to his old days when he would have barbed wire matches

The People's Column



Todd Schreiber

Staff writer
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against Mick Foley in Japan.

In the WWF, the big event was the rein-statement of Mankind. He was originally fired by HHH and Stephanie McMahon, but was rehired when the whole roster came out and made demands at the beginning of the show.

In the final match of the evening, Mankind came out and there were hints of him returning to his Cactus Jack character.

Mankind/Cactus Jack also challenged HHH to a title match for the Royal Rumble, which HHH accepted.

The Rock also said that he would enter the Rumble, and was prepared to take on all 29 other contestants.

This is an interesting twist to the rumor that Taz was going to make his debut at the Rumble, being the first entrant, and going

the distance for his first exposure.

Vince McMahon, as many of you may have noticed, has not been on television in a while. The reasoning behind this is that they want to create a really good angle for Vinny Mac to come back to, and they are currently working on this.

In the "real" news, a 64-year-old woman called the police while watching a wrestling match, thinking that "Stone Cold" Steve Austin was actually getting beaten up in his match with HHH.

"It just wasn't fair; Triple H never plays a fair game and he was hitting poor Mr. Austin with a hammer," Nora Cuthbert said. "People say it is not real and it is all staged, but I knew it was real and he was hurt and I wasn't going to stand by and watch it happen."

Training in Florida productive for Panthers

Eastern swimmers join 1,500 college swimmers at forum in Ft. Lauderdale

By Kyle Bauer
Sports editor

Instead of sticking around Charleston to train, the Panther swim teams migrated south for a few days of intensive practices.

Eastern's swimmers joined 1,500 other collegiate swimmers at the College Swim Forum in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

The forum consisted of two practice sessions a day and several small meets. For the nine days Eastern was there, the team would held a two-hour short course practice in the morning and a two-hour long course practice in the evening.

The Panthers used their time in the sun as mainly a training tool. So the focus was more on practice rather than the meets. Eastern did compete in one meet, the Ed Kennedy meet, in which the men finished fourth and the women took sixth.

The meet consisted of about 12 teams including strong programs from the University of Hawaii and the University of Toledo.

Junior Karina Freer turned in the best individual performance for the Panthers, finishing second overall in the 50-freestyle.

Aside from training and competition, the swimmers managed to find some time to get away

from the pool.

"Other than practicing, there was a lot of time spent on the beach," head coach Ray Padovan said. We had a fair amount of free time."

With the rest of their free time, the Panthers managed to score some tickets to the MicronPC.com bowl, where they witnessed the University of Illinois rout Virginia.

With the Panthers staying in a beach-front hotel, the temptation was obviously there to skip a practice or two, but Padovan said attendance at practices was perfect.

"They knew what they were there for," he said. "We did not have one person miss one practice."

The Panthers returned to reality and are now preparing for the final weeks of their season. Eastern kicks off the second portion of its season Friday at Bradley.

Padovan is expecting the training experience his team gained in Florida will benefit them at Bradley and carry over to the rest of the season.

"It was good because it sets up the rest of the season," Padovan said.

"The last meet of the year is only six weeks away. That is not a long time."



Adriene Weller/Staff photographer

Swimmer Courtney Werbe competes in the 100 yard breast stroke in a swim meet earlier this season. The swim teams compete at the Bradley Invitational this weekend.

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Phills dies in car crash

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Charlotte Hornets guard Bobby Phills was speeding in his Porsche after practice Wednesday when he lost control, crashed into a car and died instantly.

Stunned and tearful teammates and Hornets officials gathered at the accident scene less than a mile from the Charlotte Coliseum, where minutes earlier Phills and the other players had been practicing for Wednesday night's game with the Chicago Bulls. The game was postponed.

Phills, 30, was traveling at a "very high rate of speed" when he collided with a car headed toward the coliseum, police spokesman Keith Bridges said. A minivan rear-ended the other car. Two people in those vehicles were hospitalized.

Witnesses said teammate David Wesley, the Hornets' starting point guard, also may have been driving too fast in his own Porsche, according to police. Wesley's car wasn't

involved in the accident, and he was questioned at the scene.

Bridges said it will be at least several days before investigators reconstruct what happened.

Phills lost control on a hilly curve where the posted speed was 45 mph, said Capt. L.E. Blydenburgh, the crash investigator. "The skid marks indicate he was not going in a straight line," he said.

Phills' car, with the vanity plate "SLAMN," left skid marks several hundred feet long and came to rest in one of the opposite lanes, Bridges said. Firefighters had to cut his body from the wreckage.

Listed in stable condition at Presbyterian Hospital were Robert Woolard Jr., 31, of Cornelius, the driver of the other car; and Yao Agbegbon, 33, of Charlotte, who was driving a minivan taxi, Bridges said.

"This is the ultimate tragedy, and our immediate thoughts and

prayers are with his wife, Kendall, his children and family," Hornets owner George Shinn said in a statement. "Not only was Bobby a tremendous person, but a great husband, father and role model that everyone respected and admired. He was someone that you would want your children to be like."

Phills, a 6-foot-5 defensive stopper and a team leader, started often at shooting guard or small forward for the Hornets, and sometimes played reserve.

He joined the Hornets in 1997 after six years with Cleveland and was in the third year of a seven-year, \$33 million contract. Phills averaged a career 10.9 points, 3.2 rebounds and 2.7 assists a game at the end of last season. He was fourth on the team in scoring this season.

Cavaliers president Wayne Embry gave Phills his start in the NBA by signing the guard to a 10-day contract.

Sports letter policy

The Daily Eastern News sports section is now accepting letters to the editor addressing opinions, concerns and criticisms of Eastern's athletic teams.

They should be less than 250 words and include the author's name, telephone number and address. Students should indicate their year in school and major. Faculty, administration and staff should indicate their position and department. Letters whose

authors cannot be verified will not be printed.

Depending on space constraints, we may have to edit your letter, so keep it as concise as possible.

Letters should be e-mailed to cukmb12@pen.eiu.edu or dropped off at 1811 Buzzard Hall.

If there is enough response, letters will run on Page 11 starting Jan. 18.

national sports inbrief

"Complete jerk" apologizes again

John Rocker admitted Wednesday that his racial and ethnic comments in a magazine article made him sound like "a complete jerk."

In his first interview since the uproar, the 25-year-old relief pitcher spoke to ESPN at his home in Macon, Ga., and again apologized, repeating that he is not a racist. He pointed out that several minority players stayed in his home while they were playing for the Braves minor league affiliate in Macon.

"I'll reiterate again and apologize one more time to anybody I've offended," Rocker said. "It certainly was not my intent."

Other than a brief written statement, the interview marked the first time Rocker has spoken about the controversy.

Rams success brings counterfeit merchandise

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A year ago, stores couldn't give away Rams merchandise. Now, a replica Kurt Warner No. 13 or Marshall Faulk No. 28 jersey is harder to find than home run king Mark McGwire's No. 25.

Problem is, licensed merchandisers aren't the only ones taking advantage of the hysteria that came with an NFC-best 13-3 record. And as the Rams prepare to host Minnesota in this city's first-ever NFL playoff game on Sunday, the NFL and local police will be on the lookout for counterfeit goods.

NFL spokesman Brian McCarthy said Wednesday that four teams of NFL investigators will arrive in St. Louis on Saturday to seek out those peddling counterfeit merchandise.

Carruth may face death penalty

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Prosecutors left no doubt they will seek the death penalty against former NFL player Rae Carruth and three other men charged with fatally shooting Carruth's pregnant girlfriend.

Petitions were filed Tuesday in Mecklenburg County Superior Court saying the district attorney's office will attempt to persuade a jury to condemn the four to death by lethal injection. Previously, prosecutors had said in court they would seek the death penalty.

Carruth, 25, and three other defendants are charged with murder, conspiracy and intent to kill an unborn child in the slaying of Cherica Adams, 24. She was shot Nov. 16 while driving in south Charlotte.

After giving birth to a premature boy, Chancellor, Adams died Dec. 14. DNA tests show the baby, now in his grandmother's care, is Carruth's son.

EIU CALENDAR

Today
5:30 p.m. — Women's basketball at Murray State
8 p.m. — Men's basketball at Murray State
Friday
All day — Men's and women's swimming at Bradley Invitational (through 1/15)

NFL
NFL Playoff Glance
Wild Card Games
Saturday, Jan. 8
Tennessee 22, Buffalo 16
Washington 27, Detroit 13
Sunday, Jan. 9
Minnesota 27, Dallas 10
Miami 20, Seattle 17
Divisional Games
Saturday, Jan. 15
Miami at Jacksonville, 12:35 p.m.
Washington at Tampa Bay, 4:15 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 16
Minnesota at St. Louis, 12:35 p.m.
Tennessee at Indianapolis, 4:05 p.m.
Conference Championships
Sunday, Jan. 23
AFC championship, TBA
NFC championship, TBA
Super Bowl
Sunday, Jan. 30
at Atlanta, 6:18 p.m.
Pro Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 6
at Honolulu

NHL
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division
W L T
New Jersey 25 12 5
Philadelphia 24 11 6
Pittsburgh 18 19 3
N.Y. Rangers 14 20 7
N.Y. Islanders 10 24 6
Northeast Division
W L T
Toronto 24 15 4
Ottawa 21 14 6
Buffalo 17 20 5
Boston 14 18 10
Montreal 12 24 5
Southeast Division
W L T
Florida 23 14 3
Carolina 17 17 8

Washington 15 17 7
Tampa Bay 10 23 6
Atlanta 10 26 4
WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division
W L T
Detroit 27 11 4
St. Louis 25 11 6
Nashville 15 22 5
Chicago 13 23 6
Northwest Division
W L T
Colorado 20 17 5
Edmonton 14 17 11
Calgary 18 19 5
Vancouver 13 19 8
Pacific Division
W L T
Phoenix 22 15 5
Dallas 21 16 5
San Jose 20 20 5
Los Angeles 18 15 7
Anaheim 18 19 5
Overtime losses count as a loss and a regulation tie.
Wednesday's Results
Washington at Atlanta
N.Y. Islanders at Florida
Vancouver at Chicago
Dallas at Calgary
*Pittsburgh at Phoenix
*Ottawa at Anaheim
Today's Games
Buffalo at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Nashville, 7 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Colorado, 8 p.m.
St. Louis at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

NBA
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division
W L GB
Miami 21 11 —
New York 20 13 1.5
Philadelphia 19 16 3.5
Orlando 16 19 6.5
Boston 14 19 7.5
New Jersey 14 20 8
Washington 11 23 11
Central Division
W L GB
Indiana 22 11 —
Milwaukee 20 15 3
Detroit 18 15 4
Toronto 18 15 4
Charlotte 18 16 4.5
Cleveland 15 19 5.5
Atlanta 12 21 10

Chicago 5 26 16
WESTERN CONFERENCE
Midwest Division
W L GB
San Antonio 24 12 —
Utah 22 11 .5
Minnesota 17 14 4.5
Denver 17 15 5
Dallas 10 23 12.5
Houston 10 23 12.5
Vancouver 10 24 13
Pacific Division
W L GB
L.A. Lakers 29 5 —
Portland 25 8 3.5
Seattle 21 13 8
Sacramento 19 12 8.5
Phoenix 19 13 9
L.A. Clippers 10 19 18.5
Golden State 6 27 22.5
Wednesday's Results
Orlando at Toronto
L.A. Clippers at Boston
Washington at Indiana
New York at Detroit
Chicago at Charlotte
L.A. Lakers at Milwaukee
Seattle at Denver
*Cleveland at Portland
*Phoenix at Vancouver
Today's Games
L.A. Clippers at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Boston at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Miami at Utah, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Sacramento, 9:30 p.m.
Houston at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

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Men's Basketball
OVC Standings
OVC Overall
Southeast Missouri 3-0 10-2
Murray State 2-0 9-4
Eastern Illinois 3-1 7-5
Eastern Kentucky 2-1 6-6
Tennessee Tech 2-2 6-6
Adam Randle — 2237.71
Doug Hicks — 2186.46
Mary Wohlrabe — 2152.71
Austin Peay 1-3 7-5
Tennessee-Martin 0-2 3-9
Tennessee State 0-2 1-11
Today's Games
Eastern at Murray State, 7:30 p.m.
E. Kentucky at Austin Peay, 7:45 p.m.
Morehead St. at Tenn. State, 7:45 p.m.
SE Missouri at Tenn-Martin, 7:45 p.m.

Women's Basketball
OVC Standings
OVC Overall
Tennessee Tech 4-0 9-6
Middle Tennessee 3-1 6-6
Eastern Kentucky 2-1 5-7
Tennessee-Martin 2-1 3-9
Southeast Missouri 2-2 5-7
Tennessee State 2-2 4-7
Murray State 1-2 3-9
Austin Peay 1-3 3-9
Eastern Illinois 1-3 3-7
Morehead State 0-3 1-11
Today's Games
Eastern at Murray State, 5:30 p.m.
E. Kentucky at Austin Peay, 5:45 p.m.
Morehead St. at Tenn. State, 5:45 p.m.
SE Missouri at Tenn-Martin, 5:45 p.m.

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE
WEST DIVISION
John Beerbower — 2480.91
Scott Busam — 2263.31
Jacqueline Boyer — 2185.71
Adam Switzer — 2055.21
Mike Manday — 1908.78
Jim Ochs — 1903.21
Nick Webb — 1850.79
Jay Ochwat — 1830.01
Dan Ochwat — 1830.01
Meghan McMahon — 1789.1
Eric Van Houlen — 1773.91
Vince Samford — 1736.96
Ben Turner — 1668.48
Chris Wise — 1661.91
AMERICAN CONFERENCE
CENTRAL DIVISION
Mike Hudson — 2390.41
Todd Schreiber — 2386.05
Pat Osterman — 2303.46
Jason Blalka — 2264.96
Adam Randle — 2237.71
Doug Hicks — 2186.46
Mary Wohlrabe — 2152.71
Donald Wells — 2129.73
Jeremy Alexander — 1952.11
Matt Peters — 1907.46
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Panthers hope to erase the Racers

Eastern hopes to end nation's longest home winning streak at 46

Anthony Braviere
Staff writer

Eastern's men's basketball team will have a tough task when it travels to Murray, Ky. to take on Murray State in an Ohio Valley Conference Matchup.

The Panthers (7-5, 3-1) will have the unenviable duty of trying to break Murray State's 46-game home-winning streak.

"They haven't won 46 games in a row at home for nothing," Eastern's head coach Rick Samuels said. "They have great fans and this will be a tough storm to weather."

The Racers (9-4, 2-0) come into the game with Eastern winners of four of their last six, including a win at Atlantic Ten power Rhode Island, which ousted the Racers in the NCAA tournament last year.

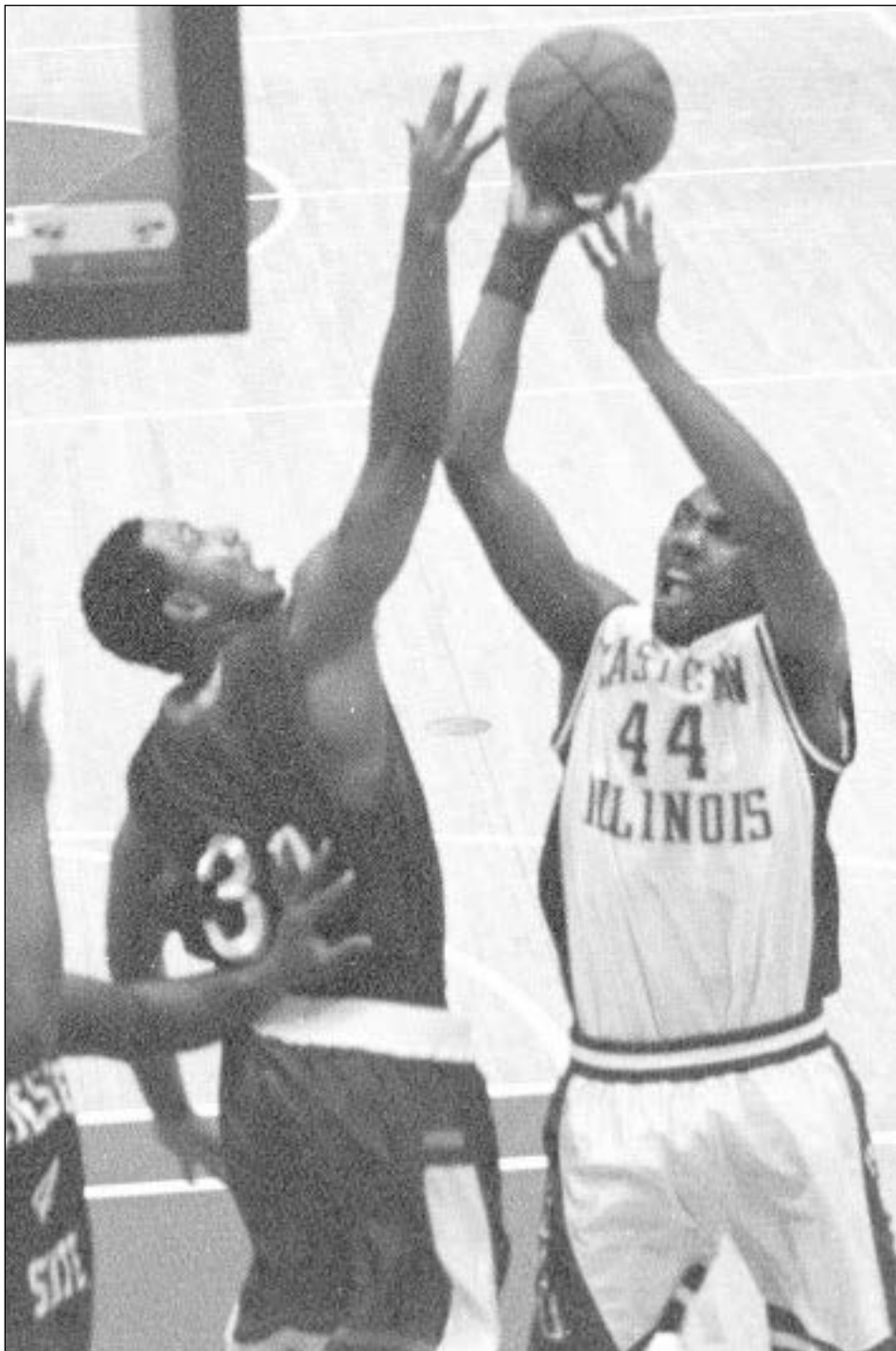
Aubrey Reese is the catalyst for the Murray State offense. The senior guard is averaging 20.5 points per game in OVC and 19.8 points per game overall. Reese is also averaging five rebounds and five assists this season.

Reese isn't the only Murray State player Eastern will have to pay special attention to. Senior Isaac Spencer has been tearing up opposing defenses with his 21.6 points per game and 9.2 rebounds. The 6-foot-6-inch senior averages 11.2 rebounds per game in conference.

"He gets a lot of baskets in transition," Samuels said. "He is definitely a tenacious offensive rebounder which helps a lot."

Despite winning their last two games and three over the break, the Panthers got bad news this week when they found out that they lost two of their starting five, forwards Marc Polite and Merve Joseph who were injured in Saturday's game against Tennessee State.

Probable replacements in the starting



Mandy Marshall/ Photo editor

Freshman guard Henry Domercant goes up for a jump shot in Eastern's win Saturday night against Tennessee State. Eastern looks to end the Racers' 46 game home win streak tonight.

Wunder's players look for a winning streak of their own

Troy Hinkel
Staff writer

Hoping to start a winning streak, the women's basketball team will travel to Kentucky on Thursday to take on the Murray State Racers.

Coming off of a win over Tennessee State, Eastern (3-9, 1-3) will be looking to string together a two-game win streak as it faces the Racers (3-9, 1-2).

In their last game, the Panthers pulled out a 60-54 win after being down by as much as 14 against Tennessee State on Saturday night.

On the trip, the Panthers are also hoping to capture their first road win of the season, currently posting an 0-7 road record.

Murray State could be one of the best teams to end the road losing streak as the Racers have struggled on the offensive end, only averaging 62 points per game while giving up over 71 a contest.

"I hope the girls will break the road losing streak," head coach Linda Wunder said. "It's important for us to build on the win against Tennessee State."

The key for the Panthers against the Racers will be controlling the ball. Eastern is currently averaging 24 turnovers per game while having the worst turnover margin in the OVC with a negative nine ratio.

Eastern is not the only team who turns the ball over, however; as the Racers are eighth in turnover ratio in the OVC and near the bottom of the list in steals per game.

"The girls need to make good decisions on the court and take care of the basketball," Wunder said. "Turnovers have been

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Faced with a difficult task: Filling the bleachers

Osterman hired to improve fan support at Eastern athletic events

By Bill Ruthhart
Associate sports editor

When Julie Ostermann came to Eastern in August, she heard she may have a tough task ahead of her. But when she arrived to Charleston, Ostermann found out just what kind of difficult challenge she had ahead of her.

What is that difficult challenge?

To create a resurgence in what has been, at best, lack-luster attendance numbers at Eastern athletic events. And when Ostermann took over as program assistant for marketing and promotions on Aug. 1, 1999, the strenuous mission of bringing fans back to Panther events became a reality.

"I came in pretty much with expectations based on my past experience and the impression I got from the interview process," she said. "And it was conveyed to me pretty well that this is a small institution with smaller support for athletic events."

Beyond the Competition

A weekly series featuring the individuals behind the scenes of Eastern's athletic programs.

"But for me, the biggest thing was the difference I saw in the fan base, support and student involvement here," Ostermann said of Eastern's low fan support. "I didn't anticipate anything like this."

Ostermann's job is to do whatever it takes to get students and members of the community flocking to Lantz Gymnasium and O'Brien Stadium for athletic events, usually through promotions and marketing tactics.

"Basically, my job is to plan and execute promotions in game, as well as facilitate advertisement on and off campus," Ostermann said. "I work as (Assistant athletic director for Sports Information) Dave (Kidwell's) assistant, as well as publicizing Panther athletics,



Kyle Bauer/Staff photographer

Julie Osterman, the program assistant for marketing and promotions for Eastern's athletic department, was hired in August to help boost attendance at Panther athletic events.

increasing attendance and I'm also the cheer team advisor."

Ostermann came to Eastern after graduating from the

University of Wyoming where she was widely involved in the athletic department.

"I graduated from the

University of Wyoming last May with a degree in marketing and I

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